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Dear Dave:

With this letter we are transmitting to you the revised version of our report:

A Geochemical Investigation of the Origin of Aluminum Hydroxide Precipitate in the Red River, Taos County, New Mexico

Significant revisions include:

- . Recognition of the possible impact of long term variation in run off.
- . Incorporation of recent stream flow and chemical data from Capulin Canyon, Goathill Gulch and the Red River.
- . Recognition of diversion of acidic water in the Sulfur Gulch drainage.
- . Discussion of short term variability of river chemistry in relation to stream flow.

As always, it has been a pleasure working with you on this investigation. We especially appreciate the help and cooperation we have received from Fernando Martinez.

Very truly yours,

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